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In re Application of:	Tsuyoshi ITSUKAICHI, et al.
Application No.:	10/673749
Filed:	September 29, 2003
For:	Thermal Spray Powder And Process For Producing The Same As Well As Method For Spraying The Same
Examiner:	Aaron S. Austin
Group Art Unit:	1775

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Docket No.: O11.2B-11338-US01

AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated February 15, 2006.

An extension of time is required to make this response timely and a separate petition is enclosed. Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time sufficient to make the response timely. In the event that this response requires the payment of government fees and payment is not enclosed, please charge Deposit Account No. 22-0350.

Please amend the application as follows: